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LONDON, *May* 14.

From the London Evening Poſt.

WE are ſorry to ſee that the people of Barbados are, in addition to their calamities, in a warm diſpute with their governor and council. Whether the latter, without the concurrence of the aſſembly, had a legal right or not to eſtabliſh the [illegible] which are the ſubject of complaint, we pretend not to be competent judges. But allowing that they had the right, policy ought to have reſtrained them from putting it in execution. At the beſt they were unfortunate in timing their order; for it was iſſued and publiſhed but a few days before the iſland was torn to pieces by a tremendous hurricane, and if it would otherwiſe have been proper to continue it, yet we conceive it ſhould have been recalled or ſuſpended for ſome reaſonable time in conſequence of that general diſaſter. In the mean time it muſt be confeſſed, that the people of our iſlands, as well as our colonies, have been generally too much diſpoſed to quarrel with and complain of their governors, and it muſt be allowed on the other hand, that *many governors* have not been leſs prone to invade the *juſt rights and liberties* of the people. It is to be hoped therefore, that *due regard* will be paid to *the complaint*, and the merits of the diſpute brought to impartial inveſtigation, that *juſtice* may be done in this, as we hope it will hereafter be in all ſimilar caſes. For, however neceſſary it may be to ſupport the juſt authority of the *king's governor*, it is equally neceſſary not to countenance him in any *unwarrantable and unprecedented encroachments upon the liberties of the people.*

It is well known that the Morning Poſt is quite a *miniſterial paper*, which makes the above paragraph rather to be wondered at; but *facts* will always ſpeak for themſelves, and *truths* cannot be denied.

Six Dutch men of war and 14 tranſports, ſailed from Helvoet on Sunday laſt. It is ſuppoſed their deſtination is for the Weſt-Indies.

Some diſpatches have been received from Liſbon, dated May 12, which contain an account of a large fleet of Spaniſh ſhips, under convoy of 8 ſail of the line and 4 frigates, paſſing that place May 8, but their deſtination was not known.

Extract of a letter from Paris, May 9.

"By letters from Bern of the 4th inſt. we learn, that a courier arrived there that night with the news, that the peaſants of that canton, to the number of 10,000 men, had taken up arms: that they had ſeized upon Purne and Grovers, and had threatened Fribourgh. The magiſtracy of Bern having aſſembled immediately, ſent 8000 militia, compoſed of infantry and dragoons, with a train of artillery to the aſſiſtance of that place."

By a letter from an officer on board the Union man of war, we receive the melancholy intelligence, that while the Britiſh force was before Gibraltar, the Spaniſh army were ſo very ſucceſsful in throwing ſhells into the town, that almoſt the whole place was levelled with the ground. The ſtore houſes of proviſions were ſet fire to, and totally deſtroyed. A number of the inhabitants loſt their lives in this dreadful conflagration, and ſo complete was the havock and demolition, that the remaining inhabitants were forced out to encamp on the rock and in the field. He writes that it is perfectly impoſſible to give any juſt deſcription of the general terror and confuſion, nor to eſtimate the loſs that muſt be ſuſtained. Had it not been for the ſuccours ſhortly to be thrown in by the fleet, and which, by being deſigned for the garriſon, eſcaped the ruin, the whole town and army muſt have periſhed from want.

A letter from Amſterdam by the Flanders mail has the following article: "It ſeems determined by the ſtates to fit out the largeſt fleet of men of war they ever had before. They have diſpatched orders to all parts to get ſhipwrights, and no expence is ſpared to procure the beſt hands. Some of the Engliſh are come, who meet with great encouragement. An embargo is laid on all merchant ſhips, and the ſailors taken out to man the men of war as faſt as they can be got ready for ſea; ſo that in a ſhort time we ſhall have one of the moſt powerful fleets in Europe."

The French and Spaniards have taken within a ſhort time, about 30 ſail of Britiſh ſhips near the Channel, 6 of which are ſtout privateers; this is a proof that we are not lords of the ocean.

If the Jamaica fleet are taken, as there is too much reaſon to apprehend, it will not only give an immediate blow to public credit, but will mount the price of inſurance almoſt to a prohibition on importation and exportation. A circumſtance not to be thought of but with horror by a commercial nation.

May 31. Advices from the Hague ſay, that a fleet will ſoon ſail from the Texel of 7 ſail of the line, with 2000 land forces, who are certainly deſigned for the Weſt-Indies, where the arms of France are to co-operate with them to regain St. Euſtatia, and the ſettlements taken by the Engliſh.

PROVIDENCE, *Auguſt* 1.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman at Laneſborough, Maſſachuſetts-bay, to his friend in this town, dated July 27, 1781.

"We have juſt received advice from the Mohawk river, that a party of Indians and tories, of about 200, came down, a few days ſince, to Conojahara, 60 miles above Albany; they were diſcovered by a part of a regiment of Albany militia, of 70 men; who by craft led them on to where the moſt of the troops lay in ambuſh in 3 diviſions; the front fired upon them as they advanced; when the enemy, not knowing their numbers, turned to the right; when they were again fired upon; they then attempted to file to the left, where they were again repulſed; when they turned to the right about, and ran off in the greateſt confuſion, leaving behind them their killed and wounded, and 150 packs behind them; our people being ſo much inferior in numbers did not think it prudent to follow them. The number of ſlain and taken is variouſly reported. There has lately been a ſmall ſcouting party of our militia, about half a dozen killed and taken near Chimney-point, oppoſite to Crown-point."

PHILADELPHIA, *Auguſt* 23.

Tueſday arrived here, ſent in by the ſhip Royal Louis, capt. Decature of this port, one of his tyrannic majeſty's armed brigs called the Active, commanded by George Auguſtus Delanoe; this brig about the firſt of July was ſent expreſs from New-York to the Weſt-Indies by the admiral for more naval aſſiſtance; the brig after touching at Barbados, found the Britiſh fleet at Antigua under the command of admiral Hood, Rodney having ſailed for England, with his plunder, in the Gibraltar, accompanied by the Panther and Triumph. Letters by the Active ſay, that a fleet of 12 or 13 ſail of Britiſh ſhips of the line were to ſail to the relief of New-York on or about the 7th inſt. and may be hourly looked for on this coaſt.

The brig Active, on the 7th of July, took up at ſea in a boat, capt. Fiſher and 7 hands, late of the brig James of this port, who on her paſſage to Havanna, the 3d of July, overſet in a ſquall, when 8 or 9 of her people were drowned, the reſt got into the boat, and were luckily taken up as mentioned above.

Beſides the above brig, capt. Decature has taken the ſloop Phœnix, of New-York, which was captured by a French frigate, retaken by the Britiſh ſloop of war Swallow, an officer of which was conducting her to New-York, when capt. Decature altered her courſe for this port.

Aug. 25. By a gentleman who left the Texel about the 28th of May laſt, we learn that the Dutch are exerting every nerve in the marine department, and that about the middle of June they expected to ſend to ſea a fleet of 40 ſail of the line and 20 frigates. That the congreſs of miniſters at Vienna was adjourned, England not being willing that the miniſter from the United States of America ſhould have a ſeat there. He alſo informs, that a loan was opened in Holland, and filling faſt, for theſe ſtates, and that it was ſuppoſed from circumſtances, &c. that the United Provinces would, in a ſhort time after his ſailing, *formally* acknowledge the independence of America.

The ſhip Marquis Fayette, from France for America, with cloathing, &c. was taken off Cape Clear by a 40 gun ſhip and two 74's, after an engagement of three hours with the 40 gun ſhip before the others came up.

From Rivington's New-York Gazette of Aug. 25.

By a veſſel which arrived on Monday evening in about 50 hours from the Cheſapeake, we are informed that earl Cornwallis had left gen. O'Hara with the guards and ſome other corps at Portſmouth, and proceeding up the river, took poſt at York-town, which occaſioned the marquis de la Fayette, to croſs from Burwell's ferry to Williamſburg, about ſeven miles from York-town, ſo that ſhould the marquis be diſpoſed to hazard another bout, we truſt the noble earl will not diſappoint him.

Laſt Thurſday night 8 rebel whale-boats made their appearance at Fluſhing bay ſide, on Long-Iſland, when ſome of them landed a few men; but as they did not like the appearance of things, the country being very ſoon alarmed, they ſpeedily embarked, and made the beſt of their way to the rebel ſhore. They carried away nothing, and ſaid they only wanted a few priſoners.

ANNAPOLIS, *September* 6.

Extract of a letter from general Giſt to governor Lee, Baltimore, September 4, 1781.

"I have the pleaſure to inform you that a cutter of 18 guns has this moment arrived here with diſpatches from the count de Graſſe for his Excellency general Waſhington.

Captain Arme de la Lune, commander of the cutter, informs, that the French fleet, conſiſting of 28 ſail of the line, arrived in our bay the 26th ult. with 3000 land forces, which are landed, to form a junction with the marquis la Fayette; part of the fleet have blocked up the Britiſh veſſels in York-river; they have taken the Loyaliſt of 22 guns in that river, and on their way to the Capes took a packet from Charles-town, with lord Rawdon on board, who is now a priſoner with the fleet, moſt part of which lay between the middle ground and cape Henry.

"I do myſelf the honour to encloſe you a liſt of the fleet of our great and good ally now in the bay."

Liſt of the count de Graſſe's fleet now in the Cheſapeake.

Ships of the line; one 110, three 84, nineteen 74, four 64, one 50. Frigates; two 44, two 32, one 18.

This intelligence is corroborated by letters from a gentleman of the marquis la Fayette's family to his Excellency our governor, with this further circumſtance, that the fleet from Rhode-Iſland, under the command of Monſieur de Barras, was hourly expected to form a junction with the count de Graſſe.

The citizens of Maryland and Virginia are called upon, by their patriotiſm, honour, and intereſt, to exert every nerve in providing ſupplies for the allied forces. Should their important deſigns fail, or their operations be impeded by the neglect or want of exertions in theſe ſtates, it would reflect eternal diſgrace in their character, and preclude any hopes of future ſuccours.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Baltimore to his friend in this city, dated Sept. 5, 1781.

"By major Gibbs, juſt from Philadelphia, we are informed, that a Britiſh fleet of 14 ſhips of the line arrived at the Hook on Wedneſday laſt; that they ſailed again on Friday, ſuppoſed for our Bay, being joined by 6 ſhips of the line, which were at New-York. This may be depended on."

Departed this life, on Friday the 24th ult. about 7 o'clock, A. M. in the 50th year of her age, Mrs. RACHAEL DARNALL, a lady whoſe tranſcendent virtues and great perſonal accompliſhments placed her in the moſt exalted point of view, and juſtly entitled her to the love and admiration of all who knew her. She was open, affable, and engaging in converſation; in her friendſhip, warm, ſteady, and ſincere; in her charity unbounded, conſtantly ſeeking for an opportunity to gratify the generous feelings of a benevolent heart; her relations and intimate friends feel the moſt poignant diſtreſs; the widow, the orphan, and all who groan under the weight of misfortunes, have juſt cauſe to bewail her departure.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of Charles county, at the court-houſe in ſaid county, on Wedneſday the 15th day of Auguſt, Anno Domini, 1781,

WALTER HANSON, Eſq; in the chair,

JOHN GWINN, clerk.

Reſolved, That it is abſolutely neceſſary to ſupport the credit of the paper money emitted at the laſt ſeſſion of the general aſſembly.

Reſolved, That the ſaid paper money ought to be taken and received at par with ſpecie, agreeable to the aſſociation recommended by the general aſſembly; that Meſſ. Walter Hanſon, John Digges, John Marſhall, Hezekiah Dent, John Parnham, William Wilkinſon, Joſhua Sanders, Walter Hanſon Jeniffer, Joſias Hawkins, Gerard B. Cauſin, Michael Stone, William Harriſon, John Dent, Samuel Hanſon, jun. Thomas Stone, and Samuel Hanſon of Samuel, be, and are hereby appointed a committee to ſee that the ſaid aſſociation is obſerved and kept, and that any two or more of the committee have power to

call a meeting of the committee upon information of any breach of the association, and that any person who shall wilfully violate his association, be by the said committee published as a person void of honour, and unfit to associate, or have any connection with freemen; and that the said committee, or a majority of them, shall be empowered and are hereby directed, strictly to enquire into the conduct of any person within this county, whether an associator or not, who shall either directly, or indirectly, contravene these resolves, and upon a full conviction shall hold such offender up to public view and contempt, in such manner as the committee, or a majority of them, my think proper.

Resolved, That the power of the said committee continue until the meeting of the next general assembly and no longer.

Resolved, That these proceedings be published in the Maryland Gazette.

In COUNCIL, August 16, 1781.

THE measures pursuing by this state, for filling up the regiments of infantry and troops of cavalry, and preparing them immediately to take the field, make the demands for the new emission of money very considerable; but as the money to defray the expences of the campaign, cannot issue until the subscriptions and securities are lodged with the treasurer, the Governor and Council earnestly request all those gentlemen who are authorised to receive subscriptions, to exert themselves in completeing that business, and to make returns of the subscriptions already received to the treasurer of this shore without loss of time.

By order, 3 T. JOHNSON, jun. clk.

A FEW copies of the LAWS of MARYLAND, passed last session of assembly, may be had at the Printing-office. 1

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, September 1, 1781.

ON the 24th inst. will commence the sale of a number of very valuable lots on Whetstone-point. One half of the purchase money to be paid in ten days, the other half to be paid in six weeks from the day of sale. The necessity of transmitting cash to our troops in the southern department, requires that half of each payment should be made in gold or silver, the other half will be received in any bills of credit current in the state, those of the last emission will be taken at par with specie, the other emissions at their passing value. If the first payment is not made agreeable to the terms of sale, it shall rest with the commissioners either to confirm or make void the purchase; should the first payment be made and the second not, the defaulters shall be liable to pay 10 per cent. interest. No conveyance or possession will be given until the whole is paid.

1 Paid By order, JOSEPH BAXTER, clk.

To be SOLD, RENTED, or LEASED,

THE dwelling house where the subscriber now lives, and several lots in London-town. For terms apply to the subscriber on the premises.

1 WILLIAM BROWN.

THE following are a list of the certificates forcibly taken from me by a number of armed men, on the night of the 13th of March 1781, viz. 10 state of Maryland certificates, dated November 6, 1778, numbered 628 to 637 inclusive, for 1333⅓ dollars each, and 4 other state of Maryland certificates, dated November 6, 1778, numbered 638 to 641 inclusive, for 666⅔ dollars each, also 2 state of Maryland tender certificates in the name of John Bolton, No. 34 and 35, for £. 100 currency each. The public are cautioned against the receiving or taking an assignment, as payment will not be made on them. 6w

1 0. EDWARD LLOYD.

Calvert county, Sept. 3, 1781.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber intends to petition the general assembly of Maryland, at their next session, to make over to him a tract of land called Hardesty, being near Hunting-town, now in the possession of Joseph Hall.

100 7/6 GABRIEL CHILDS.

August 8, 1781.

RAN away from the subscriber, living near Annapolis, on the 25th of July, a negro man named JACOB, about 5 feet 5 inches high, 21 years old. a likely well made fellow, very black; had on a castor hat, blue cloth jacket, tow linen shirt, and white woollen overalls. Whoever takes up the said negro, and brings him home to his master, shall receive, if under 10 miles from home fifteen shillings, if above, twenty shillings, and if out of the county, forty shillings, paid by

3 X BRICE T. B. WORTHINGTON.

THE subscriber intends to petition the next general assembly of this state, setting forth his claim, and praying to be put into possession of that part of Calverton Manor in Charles county, which is included in the lines of a tract of land called Indian Creek, to which he apprehends he has a just title.

1 CLEMENT HOLLYDAY.

TAKEN up as a runaway, a negro fellow named DANIEL, who says he belongs to Williamson Ball, in Richmond county, Virginia. He is a young fellow about 19 years of age, and says he deserted from the British. His master may have him on proving property, and paying charges to 100 7/6 JOHN HALL, at the Head of Severn.

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, August 27, 1781.

PURSUANT to an act of assembly will be sold at public auction, on the 10th day of October next, on the premises, the ground rents of a considerable number of lots in Frederick-town, also several tracts containing about 7000 acres of very valuable land lying contiguous to the said town, most of which is improved, late the property of Daniel Dulany son of Daniel. Three well situated lots in the said town, on which are erected two handsome and commodious brick dwelling houses, with other improvements. Also two tracts of valuable land, containing about 1100 acres, within a few miles of the said town, late the property of the rev. Henry Addison. A tract containing about 300 acres of good land in Frederick county, called Partnership, late the property of John Buchanan. The whole will be laid out into small and convenient farms from 100 to 300 acres. The money to be paid down, if agreeable to the purchasers, if not, they may give bond with two good and sufficient securities to pay one third of the sum bid on the first day of September 1782, another third on the first day of September 1783, and the remaining third on the first of September 1784, with interest, in gold or silver, or the new bills of credit in pursuance of an act of the last session of assembly, at their actual value at the time of payment.

2 By order of the commissioners, JOSEPH BAXTER, clk.

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, August 27, 1781.

PURSUANT to an act of the general assembly of Maryland, passed at their last session, will commence the sale of all the property, both real, personal, and mixed, late belonging to James Russell and company, commonly known by the name of the Nottingham Company, consisting of about 12,000 acres of valuable land, situate in Baltimore county, and about 12 miles from Baltimore-town; 160 slaves of different ages and sexes, amongst whom are several valuable tradesmen, such as forgemen, colliers, blacksmiths, carpenters, &c. stock of every kind, houshold furniture, and farming utensils. On the premises are two excellent forges, one furnace, and two grist-mills, all in good repair. That part of the premises called the Long-Caln, where the forges stand, is in point of situation perhaps equal to any on the continent for water-works, the Brandywine not excepted. Besides two mills which are already built, eight or ten more may be erected, and from the same dam and same race be supplied with a great abundance of water in the driest seasons. The iron-works, together with a quantity of lands, negroes, and stock of every kind sufficient for carrying them on, will be sold in undivided shares, not exceeding tenths; or the lands and property of every kind will be divided into small and convenient parcels, and sold separately, as may appear at the time of sale best to suit the wishes of the purchasers, and the intention of the state. The sum bid to be paid in specie, or in the bills of credit emitted in this state, by the act to enable the treasurer of the western shore to draw and sell bills of exchange, and for an emission of bills of credit if necessary. Credit will be given to the purchasers to the first day of January 1786, upon their giving bonds with two good securities, each having real property in this state to the value of the purchase money. The sale will begin on the 10th day of November next, at capt. Phillips's, that noted tavern, about 12 miles from Baltimore-town, which being part of the premises will also be sold.

2 By order of the commissioners, JOSEPH BAXTER, clk.

THERE is at the plantation of Robert Wheeler, in Prince-George's county, taken up as a stray, a small light iron gray horse, 13 hands high, paces, trots, and gallops, and is about 12 or 13 years old, has a blind brand on the near buttock which cannot be readily made out. The owner may have him again on proving his property and paying charges. 2 w3

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, August 27, 1781.

PURSUANT to an act of the last session of assembly, will be sold at public auction on the premises the 25th day of October next, the three following tracts of land lying in Montgomery county, viz. Part of Friendship, 400 acres, being part of the tract on which col. John Murdock lives, near George-town; Conclusion, containing about 1800 acres at the mouth of Seneca; and a tract called Accord, alias Concord, containing about 600 acres, and about six miles distant from the foregoing tract. The above lands are valuable for their situation, soil, and timber, and will be laid off and sold in small and convenient farms from 100 to 300 acres. The money to be paid down or the purchaser to give bond with two good and sufficient securities to pay one third of the purchase money on the first day of September 1782, one third on the first of September 1783, and the remaining third on the first of September 1784, in gold or silver, or the new bills of credit emitted pursuant to an act of the last session, at their actual value at the time of payment. The sale will commence on the tract adjoining col. Murdock's.

2 By order of the commissioners, JOSEPH BAXTER, clk.

Annapolis, August 30, 1781.

To be rented by the year, or leased for a number of years,

THE large and commodious house, formerly the dwelling house of William Reynolds, late of this city, well calculated for a tavern or private gentleman's family, as there is every convenience for either. For terms apply to the subscriber on the premises. w3

2 MARY REYNOLDS.

THE subscriber intends to petition the next general assembly of this state, for an act to enable him to record a deed, and make it valid although it was not acknowledged according to the form prescribed by law; it was executed by Mr. Cravath of Baltimore-town, in the beginning of 1777, when there was no civil magistrate acting under the new government just then formed.

0 X NATHANIEL RAMSEY.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be preferred to the next general assembly of this state, for an act to pass, making the repair and keeping the causeway that leads through Pocomoke swamp to Snowhill-town, in Worcester county, a public charge upon the said county in general. 3 3w

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THIRTY HARD DOLLARS REWARD.

Frederick town, July 2, 1781.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Frederick-town Maryland, on the first instant a negro man named NED BARNES, a likely sensible fellow, a shoemaker, about 35 years of age, about 5 feet 6 or 8 inches high; he carried with him a good deal of valuable cloathing, among which are a new light blue cloth coat and waistcoat, a pair of leather breeches, a pair of boots, a pair of neat shoes with silver buckles; it is probable he may have a pass and intends to join the British troops; it is suspected he went off on a likely roan horse. The above reward will be paid to any person bringing home or securing him in any gaol, if it is requested he may be searched and the money about him secured. 3w

3 X JOHN HANSON.

FOR SALE,

FROM four to seven hundred acres of level fertile land, bounding on Severn river, about ten miles from Annapolis; the situation very healthy, pleasant, and convenient; the spring water excellent; about 250 acres cleared; four apple orchards, from which may be made above 4000 gallons of cider; also 300 young apple trees just beginning to bear; meadow ground uncleared sufficient to produce 30,000 weight of hay.

Also for sale, near 500 acres of rich timbered land, lying on Elk-Ridge, about 13 miles from Baltimore-town, about 170 acres cleared and under fence, very advantageously situated with respect to Baltimore-town; a stream runs through the land on which may be made 40 acres of rich meadow. For the terms of sale apply to

3 X REZIN HAMMOND.

THERE is at the plantation of Thomas Hu near Patapsco lower ferry, in Anne-Arun county, taken up as a stray, a brown horse ab 14 hands high, 4 years old last spring, trots gallops, has a remarkable large white spot on right side, two white hind feet, and a blaze in face, is shod before and not branded. The ow is desired to prove his property, pay charges, take him away. 2 w3

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